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Applicant: Yoshihisa Nagano et al.

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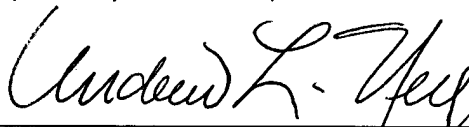
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S I R :

Applicants assume that the Advisory Action dated March 21, 2003, by which Applicants' Amendment dated February 11, 2003 was not entered, was issued before the Examiner and the SPE became aware of the fact that Applicants had filed a Request for Continued Examination on February 24, 2003 in which a request for entry of the February 11, 2003 Amendment was made.

Applicants request a reply to this Communication either confirming that the February 11, 2003 Amendment has been entered or an explanation of why it has not been entered if that is so.

Respectfully submitted,


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